

Report Date	31/05/2023
LETF Round	LETF Round 9: Holiday Journey Charging
Purpose	This is the panel report on round 9 of the LETF, providing recommendations for approval and decline
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Background

1. Round 9 of the Low Emission Transport Fund launched on 26 April 2023 seeking rapid deployment proposals to increase the availability of public electric vehicle chargers on key holiday journey routes throughout New Zealand in time for Christmas 2023. The round closed on 17 May 2023.
2. EECA identified 14 major holiday journey routes with twenty-five specific locations which are the subject of this report. These routes have been identified through analysis of New Zealand traffic flows and analysis of peak-season traffic data obtained from Waka Kotahi.
3. An initial funding envelope of \$3 million of new funds was available for Round 9, based on the funding available in the LETF for 2022/23.
4. The Panel members participating in Round 9 were: Chair, Camilla Cochrane, Richard Briggs and John Hancock. The Secretariat was Louise Murphy and technical expert was Gerard Logan.

Assessment

Procurement Process

5. The Request for Proposal (RFP) for Round 9 of the Low Emission Transport Fund (LETF) opened on 26 April 2023 and closed on 17 May 2023.
6. EECA received 14 eligible applications from 10 applicants, applying for 19 locations in total.
7. The amount of co-funding requested in the eligible applications totalled \$7.33 million. This represented total project costs of \$16.67 million, with an applicant contribution of \$9.36 million.

Evaluation Process

8. **Administrative review** of proposals was completed based on pre-conditions outlined in the RFP. All proposals were assessed as valid for evaluation (*see Appendix 1*).
9. **Panel induction** - a pre-assessment session was held during the moderation meeting on 22 May 2023 to outline the Panel's tasks and provide guidance on scoring. No Panel members declared a conflict of interest with any applications.
10. **Moderation meetings**
 - a) Meeting 1. This was held on 22 May 2023 where panel members discussed each application location by location, and the panel live scored each application agreeing a final score through discussion. The Panel agreed on those applications that were to be declined funding in this round.
 - b) Meeting 2. The second moderation meeting was held on 23 May 2023 where the panel completed the assessment process.

Criteria

11. **A weighted attribute** (weighted criteria) evaluation method was used to determine the successful respondent.
12. **Evaluation criteria** - applicant responses were reviewed by panel members and evaluated separately against the following criteria and weightings:
 - a) Proposed solution (30%);
 - b) Ability to deliver (30%);
 - c) Speed of Implementation (30%); and
 - d) Value for Money (10%); and
13. **Scoring** - a scoring scale was used to evaluate proposals. Proposals were assessed and scored collectively between panel members, and the weighted average scores combined to create the final results.

Recommended applications

14. **Recommended applications** - the panel was asked to rank and recommend applications based on merit, arriving at an agreed demarcation between those recommended and those declined. A final recommendation of approximately \$4.28 million was agreed, based on a clear delineation on scores and choosing one applicant chosen per location. On that basis, the panel recommends:
 - a) **19 projects** for co-funding that would allocate **\$4,277,450** (43.8% of total project costs) from Round 9, as listed in Table 1. Total project costs for the recommended applications are \$9,757,300.
15. The final moderated scores of all eligible applications are listed in Appendix 1.

16. The recommended applications have been consolidated by applicant in the following table:

Applicant	Specifications	Total contract value
Z Energy	Culverden – one 150kW charger with two ports (1 CHADEMO, 3 CCS) Taipa – one 180kW + one 50kW chargers with 3 ports (1 CHADEMO, 2 CCS) Wairoa – one 75kW charger with 2 ports (1 CHADEMO, 1 CCS) Ngatea – four 200kW chargers with 8 ports (1 CHADEMO, 7 CCS) Stratford – two 180kW chargers with 4 ports (1 CHADEMO, 3 CCS)	\$1,251,347
The Lines Company	Taumarunui - one 150kW charger with two ports (2 CCS)	\$122,500
WEL Networks	Hikuaui – two 160kW chargers with four ports (1 CHADEMO, 3 CCS) Raglan – two 180kW chargers with four ports (1 CHADEMO, 3 CCS)	\$521,500
ChargeNet	Greytown - two 150kW chargers with 4 ports (1 CHADEMO, 3 CCS) Paeroa - two 150kW chargers with 4 ports (1 CHADEMO, 3 CCS) Whakatāne - two 15 kW chargers with 4 ports (1 CHADEMO, 3 CCS) [REDACTED] Greytown, Paeroa & Whakatane were recommended by the panel [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]	\$570,000
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] (Withdrawn)	[REDACTED]
Jump Charging	Geraldine - two 150kW chargers with four ports (1 CHADEMO, 3 CCS) Twizel - two 150kW chargers with four ports (1 CHADEMO, 3 CCS) Omarama – two 150kW chargers with four ports (1 CHADEMO, 3 CCS)	\$876,500
EV Infrastructure Partners	Roxburgh - one 150kW charger with two ports (1 CHADEMO, 1 CCS) Te Anau - one 150kW charger with two ports (1 CHADEMO, 1 CCS) Greymouth - two 150kW chargers with four ports (1 CHADEMO, 3 CCS) Mangawhai - two 150kW chargers with four ports (1 CHADEMO, 3 CCS)	\$838,150

17. **Due diligence** - the panel does not consider it necessary to undertake pre-contract due diligence on any of the recommended applicants as it believes the additional enquiries made by the secretariat during the moderation process are sufficient.

18. **Funding thresholds**

a) No recommended projects are above \$500,000 funding threshold.

b) No projects have been recommended above 50% of co-funding.

19. **Reduced funding**

No recommended projects were reduced funding.

20. **Applications declined** - appendix 2 lists all applications the Panel recommends be declined for co-funding in this round.

Table 1: Panel recommendation to the EECA Approver (listed in location / route order)

Number	Applicant	Application location	Theme	Total Project costs	Requested co-funding	Co-funding recommended	Contract conditions	Project descriptions
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09-184	Jump Charging	Geraldine	Holiday Journey	████████	████████	\$272,500	N/A	Jump Charging are installing 2 x 150kW chargers ██████████ Geraldine.
09-184	Jump Charging	Twizel	Holiday Journey	████████	████████	\$308,500	N/A	Jump Charging are installing 2 x 150kW chargers ██████████ Twizel.
09-184	Jump Charging	Omarama	Holiday Journey	████████	████████	\$295,500	N/A	Jump Charging are installing 2 x 150kW chargers ██████████ Omarama.
09-193	Z Energy	Culverden	Holiday Journey	████████	████████	\$240,000	N/A	Z Energy are installing 1 x 150kW charger ██████████ Culverden.
09-190	EV Infrastructure Partners Limited	Roxburgh	Holiday Journey	████████	████████	\$165,100	N/A	EV Infrastructure Partners are installing 1 x 150kW charger ██████████ Roxburgh.

09-185	ChargeNet	Greytown	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$190,000	N/A	ChargeNet are installing 2 x 150kW chargers ████████████████████ Greytown.
09-185	ChargeNet	Paeroa	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$190,000	N/A	ChargeNet are installing 2 x 150kW chargers ████████████████████ Paeroa.
09-187	WEL Networks	Hikuai	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$266,000	N/A	WEL Networks are installing 2 x 160kW chargers ██████████ Hikuai.
09-185	ChargeNet	Whakatane	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$190,000	N/A	ChargeNet are installing 2 x 150kW chargers at ████████████████████ ██████████ Whakatāne.
09-192	Z Energy	Taipa	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$283,800	N/A	Z Energy are installing 1 x 180kW and 1 x 50kW charger ██████████ Taipa.
09-192	Z Energy	Wairoa	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$150,000	N/A	Z Energy are installing 1 x 75kW charger █ ██████████ Wairoa.

09-187	WEL Networks	Raglan	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$255,500	N/A	WEL Networks are installing 2 x 180kW chargers ██████████, Raglan.
09-190	EV Infrastructure Partners Limited	Te Anau	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$165,100	N/A	EV Infrastructure Partners are installing 1 x 150kW charger ██████████, Te Anau.
09-192	Z Energy	Ngatea	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$327,500	N/A	Z Energy are installing 1 x 75kW charger ██████████, Ngatea.
09-190	EV Infrastructure Partners Limited	Greymouth	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$240,850	N/A	EV Infrastructure Partners are installing 2 x 150kW chargers ██████████ Greymouth.
09-190	EV Infrastructure Partners Limited	Mangawhai	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$267,100	N/A	EV Infrastructure Partners are installing 2 x 150kW chargers ██████████ Greymouth.
09-188	The Lines Company	Taumarunui	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$122,500	N/A	The Lines Company are installing 1 x 150kW charger ██████████ Taumarunui.

09-192	Z Energy	Stratford	Holiday Journey	██████	██████	\$247,500	N/A	Z Energy are installing 2 x 180kW chargers ██████, Stratford.
09-191	██████ ██████ ██████ ██████	██████	██████████████	██████	██████	██████	N/A	██ ██ ██
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Recommendations

21. It is recommended that the **Approver**:

- a. **Note** that this report presents the collective view of the members of the LETF assessment panel for Round 9;
- b. **Approve** for Round 9 of the Low Emission Transport Fund EECA funds up to the recommended amounts for the projects identified in Table 1 above for total co-funding of \$4,277,450.
- c. **Agree** that funding be subject to applicants meeting various conditions, as noted in Table 1 above;
- d. **Agree** that the applications listed in Appendix 2 be declined.



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*Copy/paste typo made and declared by original author. Column titles should read: "Proposed Solution, Ability to Deliver, Speed of Implementation, Value for Money".

Appendices

Appendix 1: Moderated final average scores for all eligible applications in order of their location / route number.

Location	Applicant	*				Combined scores	Moderated co-funding	Decision
		Fit w/ Investment	Fit with Investment	Ability to deliver	Value for Money			
Geraldine	Jump Charging	3	2.1	3	1	9.1	\$272,500	Recommended for approval
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Twizel	Jump Charging	3	2.1	2.1	0.6	7.8	\$308,500	Recommended for approval
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Omarama	Jump Charging	3	2.1	2.1	0.8	8	\$295,500	Recommended for approval
Culverden	Z Energy	3	2.7	1.8	0.9	8.4	\$240,000	Recommended for approval
Roxburgh	EV Infrastructure Partners Limited	2.7	2.4	2.1	0.6	7.8	\$165,100	Recommended for approval
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Greytown	ChargeNet	3	2.7	2.4	0.8	8.9	\$190,000	Recommended for approval
Paeroa	ChargeNet	2.1	2.7	2.4	0.8	8	\$190,000	Recommended for approval
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Hikuaia	WEL Networks	3	2.4	2.1	0.9	8.4	\$266,000	Recommended for approval
Whakatane	ChargeNet	3	2.7	2.4	0.9	9	\$190,000	Recommended for approval
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Taipa	Z Energy	3	2.7	1.8	0.7	8.2	\$283,800	Recommended for approval
Wairoa	Z Energy	3	2.7	1.8	0.9	8.4	\$150,000	Recommended for approval
Raglan	WEL Networks	2.4	2.4	2.1	0.7	7.6	\$255,500	Recommended for approval
Te Anau	EV Infrastructure Partners Limited	2.7	2.4	2.1	0.7	7.9	\$165,100	Recommended for approval
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Ngatea	Z Energy	3	2.7	2.4	0.9	9	\$327,500	Recommended for approval
Greymouth	EV Infrastructure Partners Limited	2.7	2.4	2.1	0.7	7.9	\$240,850	Recommended for approval
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Mangawhai	EV Infrastructure Partners Limited	3	2.4	1.8	0.9	8.1	\$267,100	Recommended for approval
Taumarunui	The Lines Company	3	2.1	2.4	1	8.5	\$12 ,50agree0	Recommended for approval
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Stratford	Z Energy	3	2.7	2.4	0.9	9	\$247,500	Recommended for approval
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Appendix 2: Applications to be declined. 9(2)(b)(ii)

Location	Applicant	Decision	Basis for recommendation
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Recommended to decline	[REDACTED]
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